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POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER OUTLINES PROJECT FOR SITE

The Wootton Hall police headquarters in Northampton could be converted into a school by September 2016, Police and Crime Commissioner Adam Simmonds has said.

At an event launching the idea of the 'Wootton Park School', Mr Simmonds said a bid for a new "all-through" school for pupils aged from four to 18 was going to be made to the Department for Education next month.

If successful, Mr Simmonds said it was hoped the school, which would provide space for about 1,000 pupils, could open on the Wootton Hall site ready for the start of the 2016/17.

Mr Simmonds said there was "no guarantee" the school would be built there as it could go "anywhere in the town" but he said he was committed to the concept of the school.

The PCC also said the school plan was not depend-

ent on his re-election in 2016.

Mr Simmonds said: "For me this idea started with a Victor Hugo quote "if you open a school you close a prison. As PCCI thought about what that would mean."

The plans announced last Friday revealed that pupils would enjoy connections to the "blue-light" services.

Pupils would also have the opportunity to serve as police and fire cadets and be given the chance to have work experience with the police, fire service and Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Pupils will also get the chance to study criminal science and learn strategies for preventing crime.

The school day would be slightly longer than most state schools with extra curricular clubs running until 4.30pm on certain days.

The curriculum will be based on the Cambridge University International Curricu-

lum and Examination system.

Conservative MP for Northampton South, Brian Binley, who is one of the trustees of the school trust, said the new school would provide an exciting alternative for children in Northampton.

He said: "We hope to create pupils who are thoughtful, lawful, disciplined, community minded, respectful and embracing of diversity and aware of the often complex ethical and moral conflicts in our communities and the wider inter-connected world around them."

But a former police officer Justin Brown, who has set up a website to challenge Adam Simmonds, said: "I'm not against the idea of new schools but I am against the seemingly unethical process behind the establishment and proposal of Wootton Park School."

"I'm deeply suspicious of the plans and the people it will benefit."



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‘University students will help revitalise centre’

Business leaders in Northampton have expressed their hope university students can help to revitalise Northampton's Grosvenor Shopping Centre in the next few years.

The University of Northampton is planning to relocate to a site in the town centre by 2018 and more than 400 students are set to move into the new St John's House halls of residence in September.

It is hoped that the increasing number of students in the town centre can help to increase the footfall in the Grosvenor Centre.

In the past couple of months, two large retail units – House of Fraser and Republic – have closed down their stores in the shopping centre, leaving a large vacant space on the ground floor of the mall. It was also announced this week that Miss Selfridge will close to customers on Saturday.

Russell Hall, manager of the Grosvenor Centre, said Miss Selfridge was closing this Saturday to “make way” for Primark and Next, which are also filling the vacant House of Fraser site.

Councillor David Mackintosh, leader of Northampton Borough Council, said many of the current improvements of the town centre were preparing the way for the relocation of the university campus.

He said: “The changes in the Grosvenor Centre, with Primark and Next going into



retail potential Although there are empty units in the town centre, experts believe an influx of students will revitalise the shopping area

the House of Fraser site, show the centre is trying to attract a different type of shopper to the town. I think the increased

amount of university students will provide a boost.” Stephen Church, who used to run Church's China and was

chairman of the Northampton Town Centre Summit, said he thought the closure of House of Fraser had been a “big disaster” for the Grosvenor Centre.

He said: “I don't think enough effort was made by both parties in the dispute over the lease.

“So many people, both young and old, have said to me that House of Fraser was a significant reason for them coming into Northampton town centre.

“But the potential of the town centre is terrific. I think the town will revive when the university moves to the town centre and the county council opens its new office.”

Owners promise £3m makeover

■ **Legal & General announced in October that the Grosvenor Centre is to be given a £3 million makeover.**

■ **The works include new entrance canopies, refurbished toilets and updated ceilings, lighting, flooring, lifts and signage, are expected to be completed by September this year.**

■ **Legal & General has said it is also waiting on a decision on the Rushden Lakes development - now expected at the start of next month - before deciding whether to expand the Grosvenor Centre.**

■ **A re-organisation of units on the upper level is also planned.**

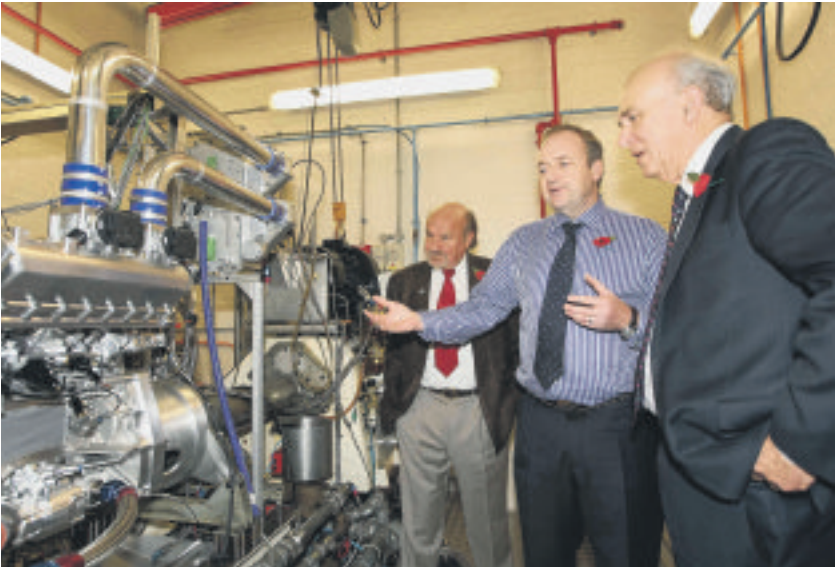
Cosworth gets green light to expand

More than 70 jobs could be created by motorsport giants Cosworth, after the firm won approval to expand its operations on St James Mill Road.

The engineering company was given a green light to build a 3,372sq metre castings factory on borough council-owned land adjacent to its current premises at Tuesday's planning board meeting.

Head of programmes for Cosworth Mark Tianna said the move will allow the firm to expand its apprenticeship scheme and remain competitive in the advancing industry.

Planning board member Iftikhar Choudary (Con, Abington) said: “I think it's an absolutely fantastic development - it has been very well put together and will be an asset to this town.”



Business Secretary Vince Cable, visits Cosworth in 2013

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It's 89 love for tennis

A tennis player who still takes to the court at the age of nearly 90, has been given a special presentation by other members at his club.

Cyril Yuill, from Weston Favell, who will be celebrating his 90th birthday this year, has been a loyal member of Duston United Tennis Club for decades and has played there at least twice a week for more than half his life.

Fellow club member and friend, Michael York, said: "Cyril has been playing tennis since he was a teenager and has been in the club for at least 50 years."

Even after his wife, Eunice, passed away, Cyril continued to make the journey across town to give coaching advice at the club and play the occasional game. Club manager, head coach and professional tennis player, David Barr, said: "Cyril has always been a very respected guy."

"He is well known among the local community for always giving coaching help free of charge, almost as long as the club has been around."



Players celebrated Cyril Yuill's tennis career with a presentation and cake

In return for all his hard work, Cyril was awarded honorary membership to the club in 1999 and friends said he had definitely

made the most of it.

Mr Barr added: "He comes along at least twice a week and says that, as long as he has his health, he won't be giving up

CHIROPRACTIC AWARENESS WEEK 14th-20th April 2014

Technology is leaving Teenagers in pain.

New findings from research carried out by the British Chiropractic Association revealed that in the UK, 40% of 11 to 16 year olds have already suffered neck and back pain and worryingly, 15% of parents said their son's or daughter's back or neck pain was a result of using a laptop, tablet or computer.

The research also revealed that almost three quarters (68%) of 11 to 16 year olds spend up to four hours a day on a laptop, tablet or computer and a staggering 73% spend up to six hours on the devices. More than a third (38%) of parents said their child spends up to six hours a day on their mobile phone.

"Young people are spending far too much time slumped in front of the television, hunched over their computers, or slouched in their bedrooms playing computer games and their poor posture in teenage years will not only cause muscle strain in the short-term but may also cause abnormal bone growth, storing up significant problems for later life." Says Per Kleberg, ISIS Clinic Director.



Teens may not always listen to suggestions from parents and adults "to straighten up" so a careful approach and setting a good example is best.

- Don't let them sit for too long. Get your children moving. Encourage them to play sport, walk or cycle to school or maybe take up running.
- Encourage them to sit correctly when using computers, placing their computers on a table/desk at the correct height, with the top of the screen level with their eyebrows, and tilt their chair forward so that their feet are flat on the floor.

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club's oldest player

Still a long way to go to match US centenarian

■ When Cyril started playing tennis, three-times Wimbledon winner and tennis legend, Fred Perry, was still in his prime. Not only that, the racquets were made of wood and women played in shin-length dresses.

■ He may not be the oldest tennis player in the world, with centenarian USA tennis champion, Gardnar "Gar" Mulloy, still living in the States, but at almost 90 years he is one of the oldest active

players in the UK, almost in the same athletic league as 101-year-old Fauja Singh who retired from marathon running in 2012 to focus on "shorter distances".

■ To be a part of Cyril's legacy and join the Duston UTC, in Mendip Road, Northampton, contact David Barr on 07912 746693 or email coaching@dustontennis.co.uk. Membership costs range from £3 for adults and £1 for children.

"Cyril may not be as hot on his feet as he was, but he will still give anyone, including myself, a decent game."

"It was a bit early but we wanted to celebrate his birthday on Sunday to coincide with the new season and to take advantage of the sunny weather.

"We had a special ten-

nis court-shaped cake made for him and about 40 people turned up, including the now grown-up, members of the junior club he set up and ran for many years.

"It was a complete surprise for him and he was a little taken aback at first, he would have never let us make such a fuss."

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Cloudy2Clear service the Northampton, Kettering, Wellingborough & Corby areas and Trevor is finding that his

approach is a major factor in his success. "The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I've done work for,

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Memories and pictures telling the story of Northampton General Hospital are being sought for an authoritative history book.

Amateur historian Sandra Bemrose, from Delapre, is embarking on her second hospital history project, having completed a comprehensive book on St Crispin's Hospital.

She now needs pictures and stories dating from the postwar period to 2000, especially from former staff and their family members.

Mrs Bemrose said: "I had so many people coming forward last time that I thought there must be a huge amount of untapped material on NGH that has never seen the light of day."

"I'm fascinated by history, obviously, but there are things people have and know that they may not believe comes into that category."

"But I would like all of those stories because it would be so sad if those memories are lost forever."

The St Crispin's Hospital book took more than four years to research and it is ex-

pected the NGH edition will take at least as long.

Mrs Bemrose said: "There's a bit of a gap in history when it comes to NGH, which runs from just after the Second World War to the millennium, and which no existing book properly covers."

"Anyone contributing would be helping fill in a missing period in the town's history."

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Daniel goes from crime to counselling

A once homeless Northampton man has turned a life of crime around to set up a charity aimed at helping others avoid the mistakes he made.

Two years ago, 21-year-old Daniel Fortune found himself on the brink of prison having received a 12-month suspended sentence.

He was hanging round with 'the wrong crowd', he said, stealing and vandalising around London where he grew up. But by the age of 19, his parents had had enough and told him to leave the family home.

Now living at the Mayday Trust in Northampton, football-loving Daniel is setting up Helping Hands Together, a volunteer-led charity aimed at giving one-to-one advice to people who are heading towards a life of crime, self-harm and drugs, from the people who have been there.

He said: "This is basically for people who feel they have got nowhere to go.

"If you have enough determination and willpower, with the right people around you, there is always a way to turn things around."

Daniel and his girlfriend, Lara Flynn, 23, of Milton Keynes, have set up www.facebook.com/HelpingHandsTogetherUK, for people to get in touch with them. It already has 195 'likes'.

Daniel, who played football for England in the Homeless World Cup, is only taking on volunteers who have first-hand experience of the subject they are helping a person with. "Often with support groups the person they are speaking to hasn't gone through the same experienc-



Helping hands Daniel Fortune and Lara Flynn are setting up Helping Hands Together - an 'intervention' based counselling charity aimed at helping people steer away from crime, drugs and self-harm.

'How I turned my life around'

■ Daniel said he only realised he was part of a wrong crowd when it was too late.

■ "I have ADHD and Aspergers," he said. "I have this constant need to please people. I would steal something from a shop because I thought it would make them like me." But the 21-year-old said he

realised his former crowd were not true friends when none turned up to a court case which could have seen him jailed in 2011.

■ Now reformed, he is training to be a social worker and said his relationship with his parents was 'better than ever'.

es," he said.

"If we can say we have been down that path, we know where you are coming from, we can build up a better rapport."

Lara said the emphasis of the charity was on 'intervention', aiming to help stop people turning to drink, drugs and crime.

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Mother terrified by spider infestation

A mother of two small children has said she is scared to use her own garden after she found her street infested with "aggressive" spiders.

Kayleigh Jacques, who lives in Saltwell Square, in Ecton Brook, with her daughters Morgan, aged six, and Georgia, three, first saw a tube web spider outside her house last summer.

She got rid of it and thought nothing of it until she recently found two more living in a hole in her outdoor wall, and one was carrying an egg sac.

A concerned Ms Jacques yesterday walked around Ecton Brook and noticed evidence of the spiders' distinctive tube-shaped web in cavities in many houses.

She said: "The street is completely infested."

"About 90 per cent of the houses here are council owned but when I tried contacting Northampton Borough they didn't want to know



Unwanted intruder: the tube web spider can give people a nasty bite

and just told me to call pest control.

"But they basically laughed at me and told me there would be no point coming to get rid of them from my house if they were in other houses as well."

The pest control also reportedly told her that, due to funding cuts, they now only went out to houses who call about rats.

Ms Jacques said: "Everyone has been fobbing me off because the spiders are not known to be fatally venomous, but they are aggressive and have a painful bite."

"I haven't slept in two days worrying about them getting inside the house."

"I think it's ridiculous that I am paying rent to live in a house I am scared to use and no-one will do anything."

At a loss, Ms Kayleigh called the Natural History Museum who confirmed the spiders were rarely deadly but will quickly bite when provoked.

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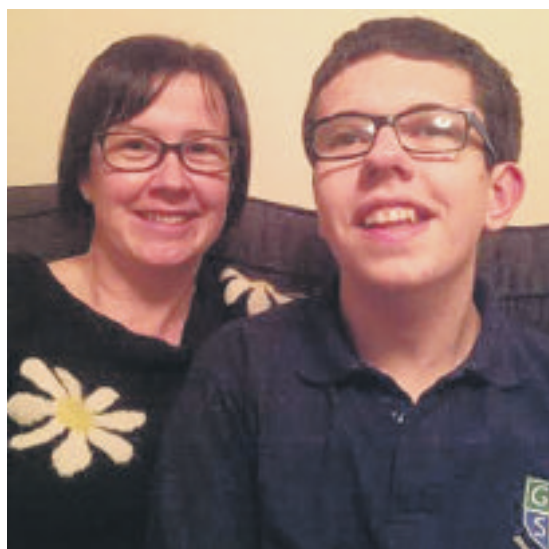
Created by Dr Andrew Williams, consultant paediatrician at Northampton General Hospital, and performed by actresses from Northampton based theatre company, Theze Guyz, *The Boudicca* brings together stories told by five mothers who have raised children with both mental and physical disabilities.

As part of the project, performed at Birmingham ICC, each mother also chose a charity to promote.

One mother, Kate Thomson, took part in the project after her daughter, Poppy, died at three years old from a degenerative brain condition.

She died on December 18, 2011 in her parents' arms at Helen & Douglas House Children's Hospice after months of battling complex symptoms.

Ms Thomson said: "I am proud to be part of The Boudicca project. Being a mum to a child with a disabling, life



Sarah Redmond, the first Boudicca mother, with son Thomas, who suffers from cerebral palsy. She said: "When the monologues were made into a play it was weird to sit down and watch someone else telling our story, because when you live with it, you just get on with life. It was very emotional but I think it's important to raise an understanding of what it's really like to have children with disabilities and get rid of some of the prejudices."

mother, for example, shares how she was told to leave her baby to die in hospital; that child is now a teenager.

"Acting is a challenge in itself, but knowing these accounts reflect true emotions and events brings another lev-



Sian Haigh, with daughter Bethan who has spinal muscular atrophy: "I had thought our daily life was unremarkable, but this was a great project and a fantastic way to celebrate the individuality of all 'special' children."

el to the play.

"We just hope we do each mother proud and help to raise money and awareness

for their five chosen charities."

The fifth mother involved is Veronica Broomhall.



Cassandra Munnely, mum of Reagan (pictured), who has growth failure and global development delay: "My story follows my denial stage and how I overcame the resentment I felt for my child and began to be a mum. Writing this was like therapy and a way to show friends and family true feelings that I had never shared with them."

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Talented pupils win top festival trophy

Young musicians from Quinton House School picked up the overall winners' trophy at the Cognita Schools Music Festival in London.

Eleven schools from the UK and Spain took part in the inaugural Festival, at St. John's Smith Square concert hall.

Nearly 200 young musicians performed to an audience of more than 300, with each school allocated a 15-minute showcase to represent the musical ability of their school.

The Quinton House performances included African drumming, solos by Emily Fowkes (voice) and Kieron Parkinson (tuba), and the Quinton Singers, featuring pupils from both the junior and senior schools, who performed songs from the hit musical *Matilda*.

Quinton House headmaster, Benjamin Slade, said: "I am extremely impressed by the musical talent displayed



by our young performers and the commitment, enthusiasm and professionalism of the music teachers who helped them prepare their performances."

While the event was a celebration of the musical life of schools from the Cognita group, it was also a competition. The musical styles represented over the evening ranged from Bach to Beat Boxing and unaccompanied solo violins to combined choral

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Teenage champ to bowl for UK adults

A teenager from Roade has become the youngest bowls player in the UK to win a national Under-18 competition and will be representing the country in an adult competition this weekend.

After Callum Beale, aged 14, won the The English Short Mat Bowls Association's national Under-18 championship last month, he was invited to play for adult team, Old Stratford Magpies.

He will now be playing single short mat bowls for the team during a two-day competition in Torquay in the hope of earning the Magpies the title of best bowls club in the country.

Callum, who started playing when he was 11 years old, qualified to play for Northamptonshire within months and now plays for several teams, including the England Under-21s.

Last month he qualified for

the National Championships programme where he competed against other players up to four years older than him, but did not lose a single game.

Commentating on the event, The English Short Mat Bowls Association said: "Try as he did [Callum's opponent] could not quite draw that perfect bowl needed to wrap the title up; Callum secured a two on the final end and ran out the winner 9-8, becoming the youngest ever winner of the title."

Callum, who wants to become a professional bowls player in the future, said: "I feel very prepared as I have been training three or four times a week."

"I've had lots of support from my mum (Sarah) and from top players."

"I was chuffed to win the Under-18 event and am excited for more adult competitions in the future – and I love visiting Torquay."



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A&E boss lands new role on Scottish isle

An emergency department consultant, who has steered Northampton General Hospital through its busiest-ever days, has left for a job on the quieter Isle of Mull.

Piers Massey, who had worked at NGH for almost 20 years, leaves at a time when it is getting busier by the month, largely due to more patients coming through the doors of A&E.

But despite an admittedly huge workload, Mr Massey said he left with sadness.

He said: "The clinical team in A&E is an awesome team.

"I do literally stand there and think I am absolutely blessed to work with the best team around.

"Everybody works their socks off.

"Every day they work so hard at getting people better, at saving lives and improving care within the department.

"They operate under a relentless workload, but they put a smile on people's faces, they crack on and they deliver the highest standard of care possible at that time."

Mr Massey's role at NGH

was one he described as "the ultimate odd-job man".

It saw him work clinically, directly with patients, as well as training and educating hospital staff, making him a familiar face to thousands of staff and patients.

Statistics show that his job had become far busier in recent years.

Latest figures, for the third week of March, showed 162 people had to wait more than four hours in NGH's A&E unit before being admitted or discharged.

More than 110 patients waited on a trolley for between four and 12 hours.

And ambulance crews queuing to offload patients for more than half-an-hour numbered 107, although this was down from the peak in February figure of more than 200.

Mr Massey said he and his family made a joint decision to move to the Isle of Mull.

During the winter months he will train hospital staff in various locations in Scotland, like he did at NGH.

During the busy summer and autumn months, when the island is boosted by tour-



Moving on: Department consultant Piers Massey is leaving Northampton and moving to the Isle of Mull

ism, he will be the lead clinician across several A&E departments in the area.

He said: "I don't particularly want to leave to be honest. As I said, I adore the staff

here, but I want to try something different before I'm too old and can't face too much

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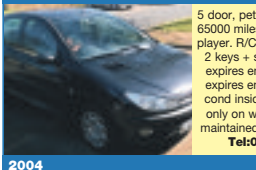


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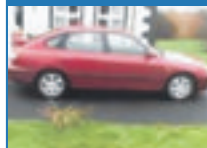
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Skipper Kelvin Langmead admits he did not know whether to laugh or cry at the reception he received from the Cobblers supporters at Sixfields on Saturday.

A year of injury hell came to an end for Langmead when he replaced Chris Hackett 77 minutes into the crucial 1-0 win over Burton Albion, and every Cobblers fan inside the ground got to their feet to give the player a rapturous welcome.

Langmead had already received a couple of standing ovations simply for warming up on the touchline in front of the west stand, and the former Shrewsbury Town man admitted the warmth of the reception he received had left him emotional.

"I don't know whether to laugh or cry about it to be honest," said an emotional Langmead, who hadn't played for the club since coming on as a late substitute in the play-off semi-final second-leg at Cheltenham on May 5 last year.

"The reception I got from the fans was fantastic, and I can't thank them enough for that. I have been up there with them in the stands, watching the games, and I have understood the struggles and the way the season has gone for this football club.

"So I kind of empathise

with them a bit more now.

"But playing again is something I have been dreaming about for a long time."

It has been a long, hard road back for Langmead, who has undergone two operations on the knee he initially damaged during the Cobblers' 1-0 win over Oxford United back on March 23 last year.

And the player admitted he 'was not out of the woods yet' with regards to a knee that he accepts will never be 100 per cent healed.

"The way my injury is, it is always going to need to be managed," said Langmead, who is the club's current player of the year.

"I now understand it a lot more, with what I am dealing with and what I can and can't do. It is hard, because I am one of those players that doesn't like to miss training, I want to do everything.

"But there are certain things that I am not going to be able to do, and every now and then I might need an extra day off just to let the knee settle down.

"It is just one of those injuries, unfortunately.

"It is never going to be 100 per cent, but I was out there on Saturday and I didn't feel it at all, which is what I was hoping for."

Cobblers' win against Burton kept them in the survival battle ahead of the Good Friday clash at relegation rivals, Wycombe Wanderers (3pm).



BACK IN THE THICK OF IT Kelvin Langmead played his first Cobblers game for almost a year in Saturday's 1-0 win over Burton

'Criminal' if Saints fail to win a trophy now

TOM WOOD says it would 'criminal' if Saints do not win a trophy this season.

The England flanker skippered the side that lost 28-24 at Saracens last Sunday.

That defeat left Saints just three points ahead of third-placed Leicester Tigers in the pursuit of a home play-off semi-final.

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And Wood is determined his side, who also have an Am-in Challenge Cup semi-final against Harlequins to look forward to next week, do not let a good season slip away.

"We've spoken about it and we know it's in our own hands," said the 27-year-old.

"We've had a brilliant eight months or so, been there or thereabouts for a long time, had a huge unbeaten run and it would be criminal for us to tail off at this stage of the season and not get something for our efforts.

"We're still in two competitions, there's plenty of rugby left to play and we've got to

have a real focus in the next six weeks or so to make sure people have not seen the best of us yet."

Saints host 10th-placed London Irish on Easter Sunday, with the visitors seemingly having little to play for as they are safe from the threat of relegation.

But Wood is refusing to take them lightly and has urged caution in the Saints camp: "They've got very little to play for but you don't expect professional players to give you a freebie.

"It's important we start the game well, build a score and do all the things we'd usually try to do.

"Then, hopefully, when momentum drains from them, it will be a chance to really kick on.

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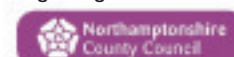
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